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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT OF SPAIN 0456

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, JM
SUBJECT: JAMAICAN COUP RUMORS SWEEP TRINIDAD

1. ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AND 15, RUMORS
WERE RIFE IN TRINIDAD THAT A COUP OR REVOLUTION WAS IN PROGRESS
IN JAMAICA. THESE WERE SO WIDELY CIRCULATED THAT AT A LUNCHEON
TUESDAY BOTH A CABINET MINISTER (KAMAL MOHAMMED) AND THE
CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING PARTY (PREVATT) RAISED THE REPORTS
IN MY PRESENCE AND AT LEAST CONSIDERED THEM PLAUSIBLE.

2. RESPONDING TO THIS EXTRAORDINARY RUMOR AND THE CREDIBILITY
IT WAS HAVING, THE JAMAICAN HIGH COMMISSIONER HERE ISSUED
A FORMAL DENIAL LATE FEBRUARY 15, ASSERTING THAT HE HAD BEEN
IN CONTACT WITH KINGSTON AND COULD UNEQUIVOCABLY CONFIRM
THAT NOTHING HAD OCCURRED. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S STATEMENT
WAS PROMINENTLY CARRIED BY BOTH MORNING NEWSPAPERS HERE THIS
MORNING (FEB 16) AND BY BOTH RADIO STATIONS LATE YESTERDAY.
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